

BOROUGH OF LEWES.

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health
for 1941.

Mr. Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report for the year 1941 drawn up in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Health given in Circular 2604. Accordingly this report has been typed and restricted to essentials, which procedure accounts for its brevity.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

W.R.DUNSTAN.

Medical Officer of Health.

20.1.43.

Staff. Mr.C.E.Lockley (Sanitary Inspector) resigned in January, 1941 and his place was filled by Mr.W.I.Price (Sanitary Inspector and A.R.P. Training Officer) who commenced his duties on May 5th, 1941.

Infectious Diseases. There were no epidemic outbreaks during 1941. The number of cases notified was Pulmonary Tuberculosis 17, non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis 12; Scarlet Fever 15; Diphtheria 9; Measles and Whooping-cough 341; Pneumonia 13; Erysipelas 2; Puerperal Pyrexia 1; Typhoid 3; Encephalitis Lethargica. The Isolation Hospital scheme has worked smoothly.

Hospitals. The cases treated were as follow:-

- (1) Nevill Road Hospital. Scabies 216. Impetigo 16. Enuresis 6. Still's disease 1. Others 3. Total 242. (Some of these cases were also verminous).
- (2) Old Rectory Hospital. Chicken-pox 38. Measles 37. Whooping cough 42. Mumps 16. Enuresis 2. Pneumonia 1. Boils 1. Concussion 1. Conjunctivitis 1. Herpes 1. Adenitis 1. Contacts 11. Total 152.

Diphtheria Immunisation. Total 1,446. Evacuees 315. Infants 270. Schoolchildren 861.

Vital Statistics. These are being preserved for the duration of the War with a view to publication later.

Sanitary Inspection. During the period May 5th to December 31st, inspection of the district was carried out as thoroughly as possible having regard to the limited time available owing to war conditions.

The following visits were carried out during this period,

Under the Public Health Act.	157
" " Food and Drugs Act.	41
" " Public Health Meat Regs.	7
" " Petroleum Acts.	28
" " Housing Acts.	8
Visits to Knacker Yards.	3
" " Cases of Infectious Diseases.	15
Complaints attended to	76

